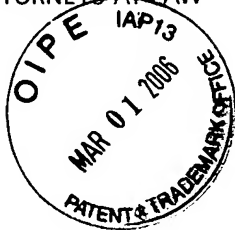


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For: **Hapten-Carrier Conjugates and Uses Thereof**
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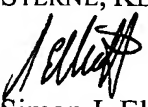
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that a Certificate of Correction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 be issued for the above-captioned United States Patent. This Certificate of Correction is being requested due to mistakes which appear in the printed patent. These mistakes were made by Applicants. The mistakes made by Applicants are of a clerical or typographical nature, or of a minor character. Patentees submit that correction of these errors does not introduce new matter.

Specifically, the printed patent contains the following errors for which a Certificate of Correction is respectfully requested:

In column 54, line 65, please delete "antiserum" and insert --antiserum.--; and

In column 55, line 50, please delete "with Alum," and insert --without Alum,--.

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Remarks

A minor typographical correction is sought at column 54, line 65. Accordingly, this correction does not introduce new matter. The previous Request for Certificate of Correction filed on November 9, 2005, erroneously stated that this error was at column 24, line 65.

Correction is also sought at column 55, line 50, to correct a minor typographical error. The corrected sentence would now recite that “[f]or the subcutaneous route without Alum, the average IgG titers obtained with Nic-Q β were 13228.” This statement corresponds to the entry in Table II which indicates that the IgG titer was 13228 in mice immunized subcutaneously without Alum. In addition, those of ordinary skill in the art know that the titer obtained from immunization with Alum is expected to be higher than from immunization without Alum, as may also be seen in Table II. Accordingly, the correction at column 55, line 50 does not introduce new matter. The previous Request for Certificate of Correction filed on November 9, 2005, erroneously stated that this error was at column 25, line 50.

The above-noted corrections do not involve such changes in the patent as would constitute new matter or would require reexamination.

A completed Form PTO/SB/44 accompanies this request, with the above-noted corrections printed thereon. Accordingly, a Certificate of Correction is believed proper and issuance thereof is respectfully requested.

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It is certified that error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below.

In column 54, line 65, please delete "antiserum" and insert --antiserum.--; and

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